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Subject: May 16th Presidents Report

Below, please find my Presidents Report for Wednesday's meeting:

Last month I attended LA Tech's DSP&S Advisory Committee Meeting, unfortunately like everyone else they are suffering, because of higher student service numbers and lower staffing numbers. This past week I received letter from the Trade Tech asking for a letter of support, only six colleges of the nine college campuses which makes up the LA Community College District agreed to submit the proposal which is entitled: the Building Healthy Communities Initiative, The goals and objectives in the proposal intend to address three areas of the Student Mental Health Strategic Plan Priorities which are: (1) faculty & staff training (2) peer to peer support and (3) suicide prevention. Ms. Donna Litchman, retiring DSP&S Coordinator at Trade Tech contacted me last week for a letter of support from the Commission but do to last Friday's deadline, that was not possible. I was told by Staff, that as President that I could write a personal letter on Commission letter-head if I felt a need, so thanks to Emma this was accomplished, which was well received by Ms. Litchman almost instantaneously upon delivery.

The Bernard Siegel/Bill Tainter Awards Ceremony is coming up on June 12, 2012 I very strongly recommend that the entire Commission be present in the Board Room at 9:30 AM to witness our Awardees receive recognition from their Supervisor and to lend support to Janet Neal and the Staff who have put countless hours into this ceremony. Let's make 2012 one of the best attended awards ceremonies in the history of our Scholarship Program. Your Presence in the Board Room will also give your Appointing Supervisor the message that we are all working together and support one another.

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